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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

SIR:

On August 24, 2006 Applicant's submitted a Petition for Acceptance of Unintentionally Delayed Claim for Priority Under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3). Applicants subsequently received a Final Rejection mailed August 24, 2006, and an Advisory Action mailed September 8, 2006. The Advisory Action maintained the Final Rejection pending the outcome of the Petition.

Applicants initially filed the above Petition together with the requisite fee on May 26, 2006, shortly after this case was transferred to our firm. The Petition was dismissed as deficient by Andrea Smith on August 15, 2006 in that the reference to add the prior-filed applications was not acceptable inasmuch as they were incorrectly "incorporated by reference" in the Amendment filed on December 12, 2005. Applicant's attorney refiled the petition together with the requisite

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fee and a substitute amendment as indicated above. Prior to the 3 month mark of November 24,

2006 Applicant's attorney contacted Examiner Smith and was told that she had not yet gotten to

the Petition. Applicant's attorney contacted the Office of Petitions several times between

November 24 and February 24, 2007 and was advised that a decision on the Petition had not yet

been rendered. Applicant's attorney's latest call to the Office of Petitions was to Frances Hicks.

Although the case is now at final with a deadline of February 24, 2007, I was advised by Ms.

Hicks that Examiner Smith was on maternity leave and the Petition would have to wait until

Examiner Smith returns.

Inasmuch as Applicants have not received a decision of the Petition, an RCE has been

respectfully submitted concurrently herein pending the outcome of the Petition.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance

which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the examiner should consider

this application not be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to

telephone the undersigned attorney in order to advance prosecution and clarify the rejection.

Reconsideration and allowance is most respectfully solicited.

Any fee due with this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1290.

Respectfully submitted,

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